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01/24/2004 Hoffman

For:

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Sir,

This letter is in response to the Notice of Abandonment dated 1/24/2008. In response to the Notice of Abandonment, Applicant respectfully requests that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn and that Examiner enter the issue fee payment properly filed on 12/24/2007. In support of this request, Applicant submits the following statement:

- 1. On September 9, 2007, Examiner Nagpaul sent a Notice of Allowance to Applicant for U.S. Application No. 10/764,710.
- 2. On December 24, 2007, Applicant filed a response to the Notice of Allowance. The response was filed via first class mail and included a proper certificate of mailing. The signed and dated certificate of mailing showed that the date of deposit was December 24, 2007. The response also included a check for \$1740 and an authorization to charge deposit account 200678 for any deficiency in payment. Furthermore, the response included a Notification of Change of Small Entity Status. (See Enclosure 1)
- 3. Nevertheless, even though the issue fee payment and publication fee payment were timely filed with a proper certificate of mailing, on 1/24/08 Examiner Nagpaul sent a Notice of Abandonment.
- 4. Because Applicant's December 24, 2007 reply was timely filed with a proper certificate of mailing, and included the required fees as well as an authorization to charge all fee deficiencies to deposit account 200678, Applicant respectfully requests that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn and that Examiner enter the response filed on December 24, 2007.

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- a. Charge \$1740 for total fees due for issue fee and publication fee
- b. Credit any overpayment
- c. Charge any additional fee or fee deficiency required.

Sincerely

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PAID ISSUE FEE TOTAL FEB(S) DUE PUBLICATION FEE DUB ISSUE FEE DUE SMALL ENTITY APPLN, TYPE 12/24/2007 STORY 50 3700 \$ 1440 \$300 $\gamma_{\rm ES} N C$ \$1740 nonprovisional CLASS-SUBCLASS ART UNIT EXAMINER 422-100000 1743 NAGPAUL, JYOTI Change of correspondence address or indication of "Fee Address" (37 CFR 1.363). 2. For printing on the patent front page, list John R. Ross (1) the names of up to 3 registered patent attorneys or agents OR, alternatively, John R. Ross, III ☐ Change of correspondence address (or Change of Correspondence Address form PTO/SB/122) attached. (2) the name of a single firm (having as a member a registered attorney or agent) and the names of up to 2 registered patent attorneys or agents. If no name is listed, no name will be printed. "Fee Address" indication (or "Fee Address" Indication form PTO/SB/47; Rev 03-02 or more recent) attached. Use of a Customer Number is required. 3. 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Small entity status is no longer appropriate for the above-idemified application.

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Respectfully Submitted,

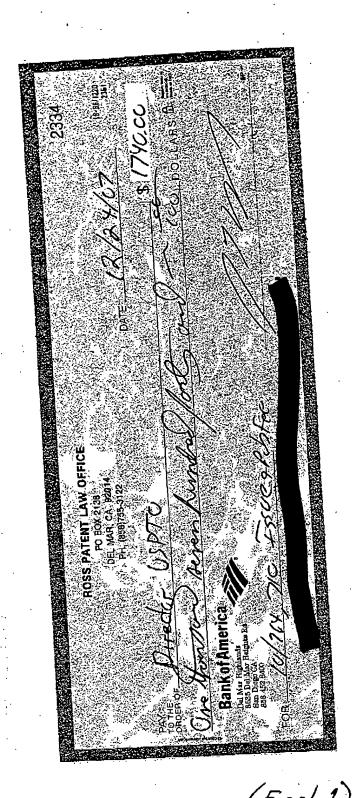
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